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In re application of:

G.H. LOWELL et al.

Application No.: 09/938,406

Filed: 21 August 2001

For: PROTEIN AND PEPTIDE
VACCINES FOR INDUCING
MUCOSAL IMMUNITY

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in reply to a Restriction Requirement mailed 16 June 2003, which set 16 July 2003 as the initial deadline for response. A petition to extend the time for response for three months, from 16 July 2003, until 16 October 2003, accompanies this response.

REMARKS

A. Elections

Claims 1-18 are pending, with claims 19-32 canceled in a Preliminary Amendment filed 21 August 2001. This claim status is inconsistent with the position set forth in